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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO APRIL 8, 2002 OFFICE TECH CENTER 1600/2900 ACTION AND PETITION FOR A TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Amendment is submitted in response to an April 8, 2002 Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the April 8, 2002 Office Action was originally due July 8, 2002. Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time. Applicants have previously established small entity status. The required fee for a two-month extension of time for a small entity is \$200.00 and a check for this amount is enclosed. Therefore, a response to the April 8, 2002 Office Action is now due September 8, 2002. However, since September 8, 2002 falls on a Sunday, a response filed on the next business day, i.e. Monday, September 9, 2002, shall be considered timely. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

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